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ABSTRACT

This book explores how frontline trauma practitioners responded to the crisis of the terrorist attacks of September 11th. Also presented is state-of-the-art information on the psychology of terrorism and an examination of the traumatic impact of terrorism on those directly affected as well as the general population, illustrating ways that practitioners can help children, adolescents, and adults cope with the aftermath of the attacks. The book also shows how to deal with "compassion fatigue," the potentially debilitating impact that work with traumatized individuals can have on practitioners who respond on-site to a catastrophic incident such as the September 11th attacks. The events of September 11th have and will continue to raise special challenges for those in the field of trauma practice. This book seeks to assist trauma practitioners and educators in effectively meeting these continuing challenges. Each chapter contains references. (Contains an index.) (GCP)

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